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IN THE COURSE OF MY INITIAL MEETING WITH THE MINISTER OF LABOR TODAY, I CONVEYED OUR CONCERN WITH DEVELOPMENTS IN THE ILO AND, IN PARTICULAR, OUR DESIRE TO SEE CONCRETE PROGRESS ON THE KEY ISSUES IN ORDER TO JUSTIFY OUR CONTINUED MEMBERSHIP IN THE ORGANIZATION.

MINISTER ANSELMI WAS VERY SYMPATHETIC TO OUR POSITION, AND AGREED FULLY THAT EVERY EFFORT SHOULD BE MADE TO RE-DIRECT THE FOCUS OF ILO ACTIVITIES TO THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH IT WAS FORMED. SHE STATED THAT SHE WOULD STUDY THE AIDE MEMOIRE WHICH I LEFT WITH HER, AND WHICH CONTAINS A DETAILED PRESENTACONFIDENTIAL

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TION OF THE US GOVERNMENT POSITION ON ILO MATTERS, WITH CLOSE ATTENTION. SHE SAID SHE WILL BE CONVENING THE ITALIAN ILO DELEGATION PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FOR THE JUNE 1 CONFERENCE, AND WILL OUTLINE ITALIAN POLICY ON THE RELEVANT ISSUES AT THAT TIME.

I WILL BE SEEKING AN APPOINTMENT WITH FOREIGN

MINISTER FORLANI TO URGE SUPPORT FOR OUR ILO POSITIONS AFTER HE RETURNS TO ROME LATER THIS WEEK.

COMMENT. I RECEIVED THE CLEAR IMPRESSION THAT MINISTER ANSELMI WILL PROBABLY BE ADVOCATING POSITIONS ON THE ILO MATTERS WHICH WILL BE CONGENIAL TO THOSE HELD BY US.GARDNER

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